

Stimulating Energy Innovation

Electrical Power Management

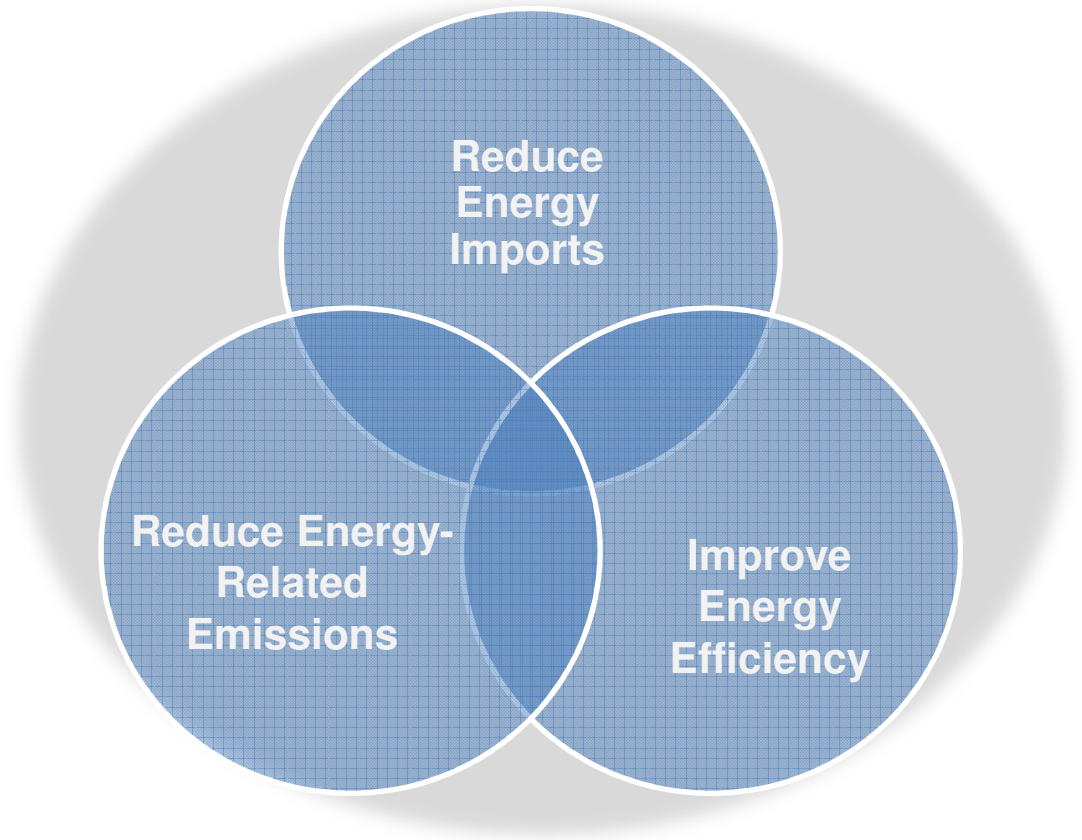
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ARPA-E Mission

- To enhance the economic and energy security of the U.S.
- To ensure U.S. technological lead in developing and deploying advanced energy technologies



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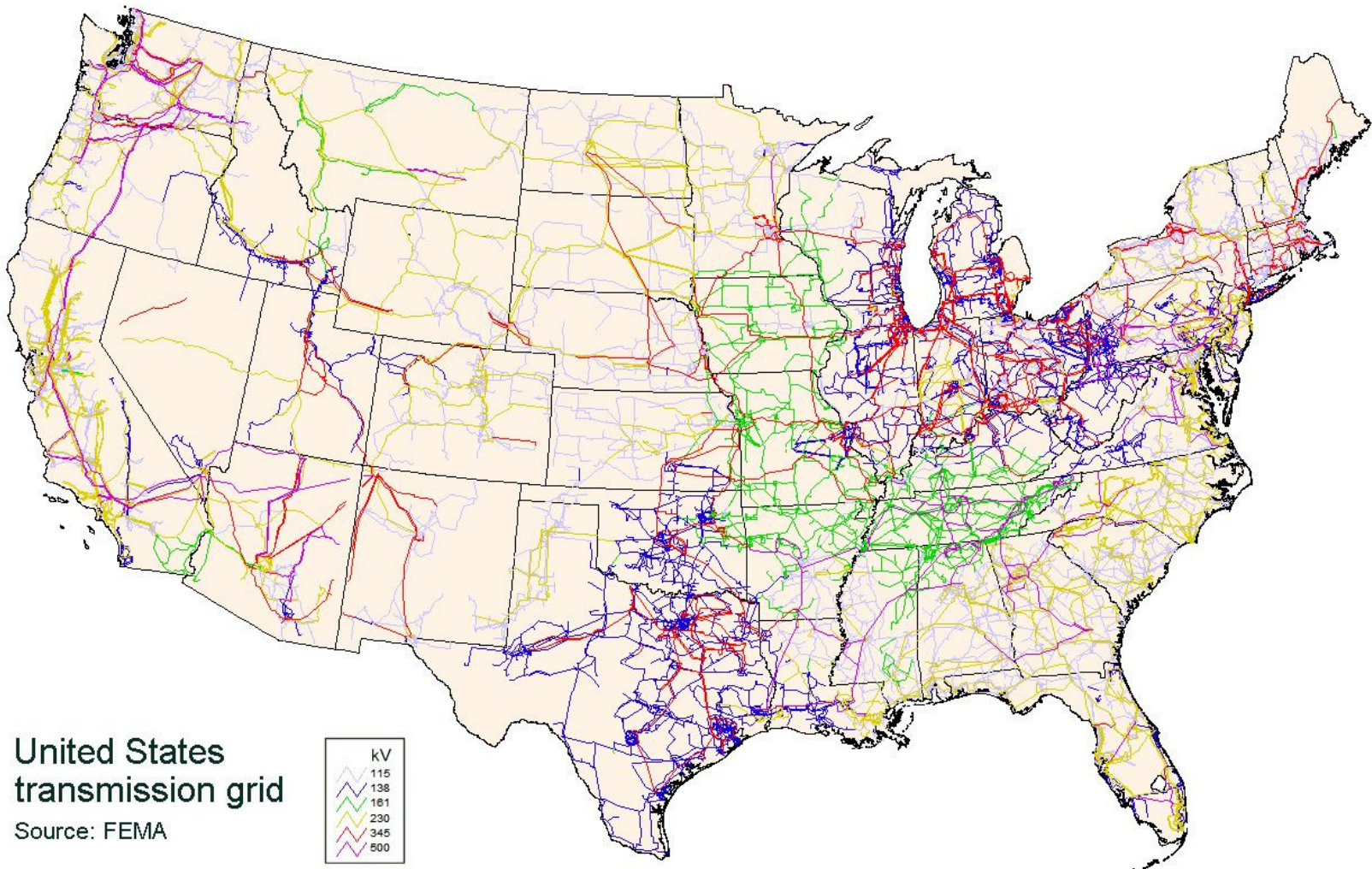
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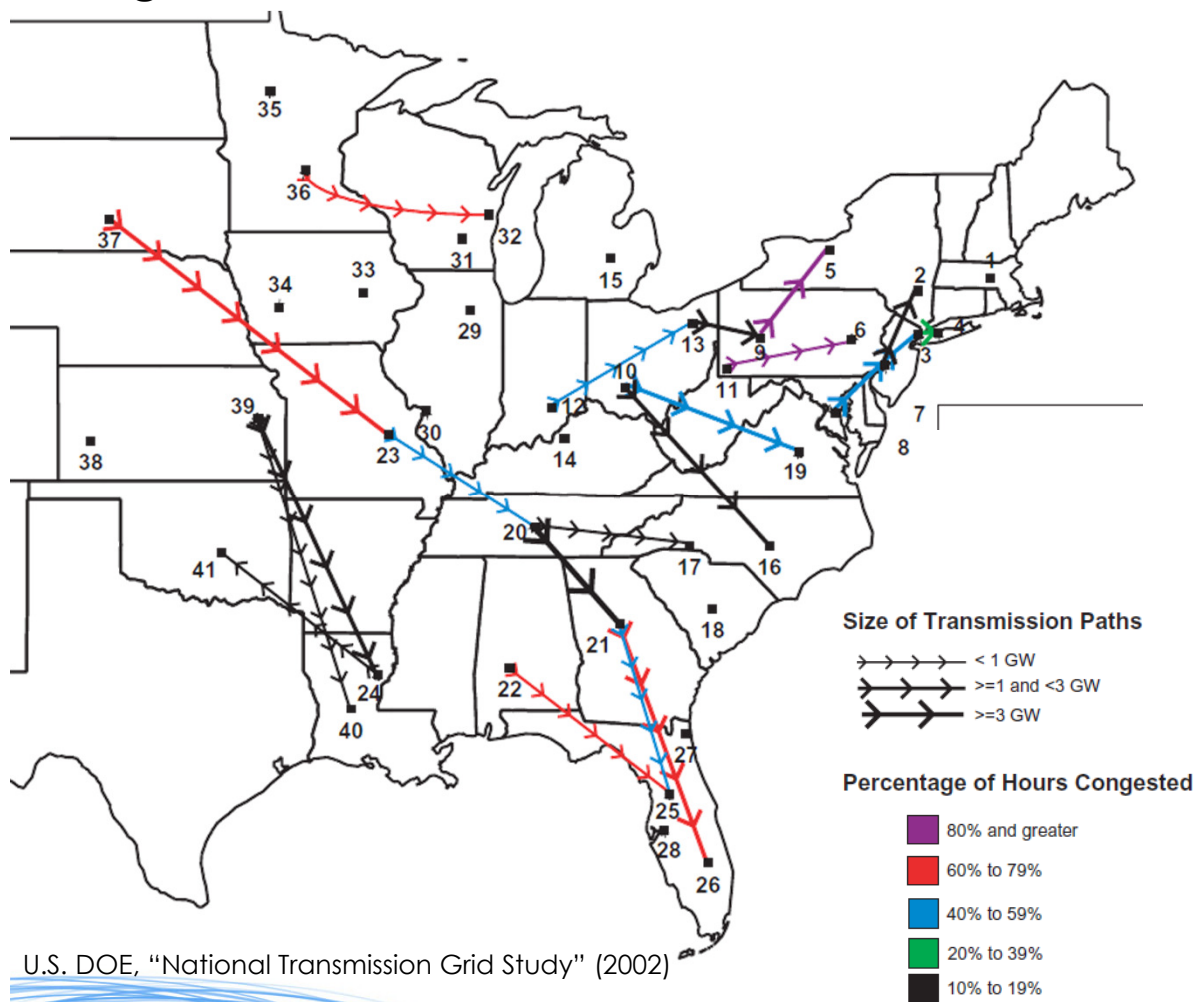
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The U.S. grid

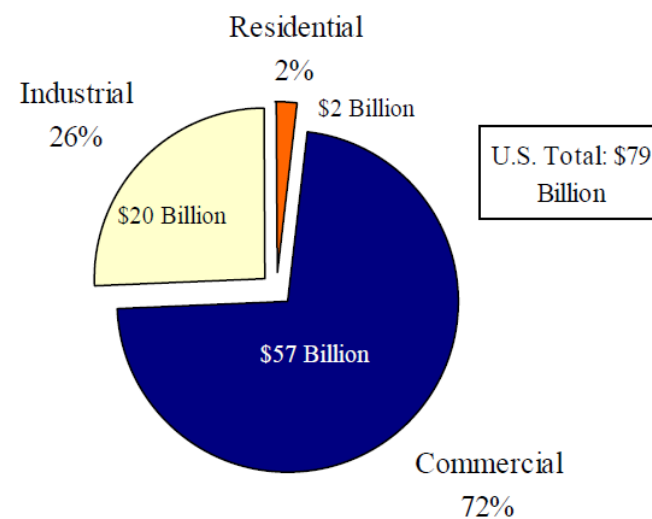


State of the U.S. grid

Congested Paths in the Eastern Interconnection



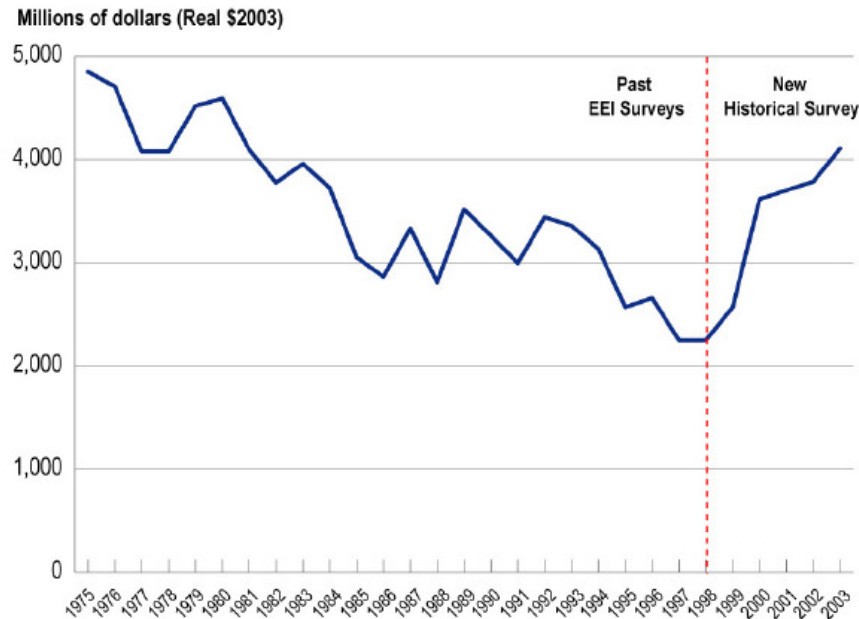
Annual Cost of Power Interruptions



Hamachi LaCommare and Eto, LBNL,
"Understanding the Cost of Power
Interruptions to U.S.
Electricity Consumers," (2004)

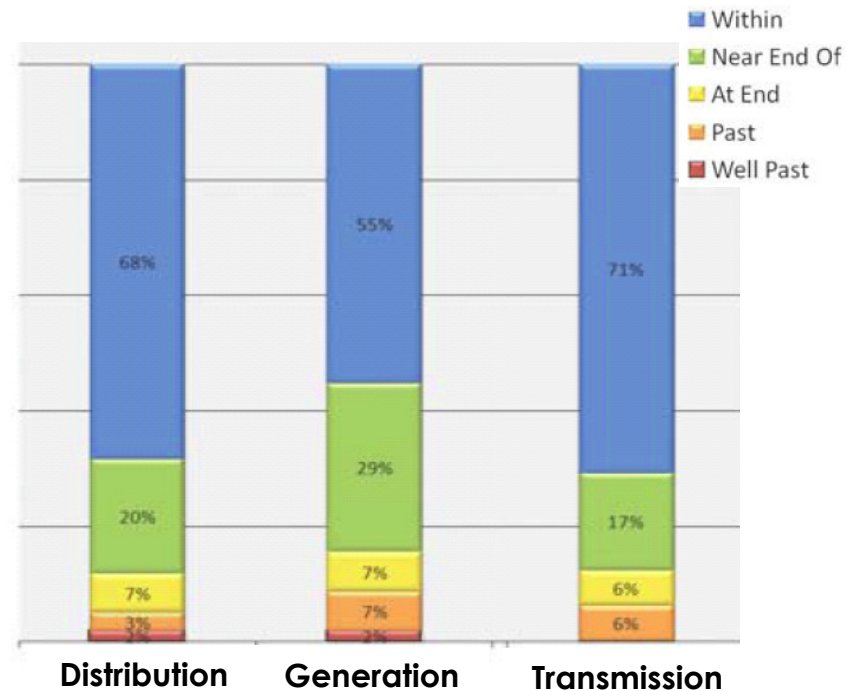
Huge Opportunity for New Technology Adoption

Historical Transmission Investment



EEI Survey of Transmission Investment (2005)

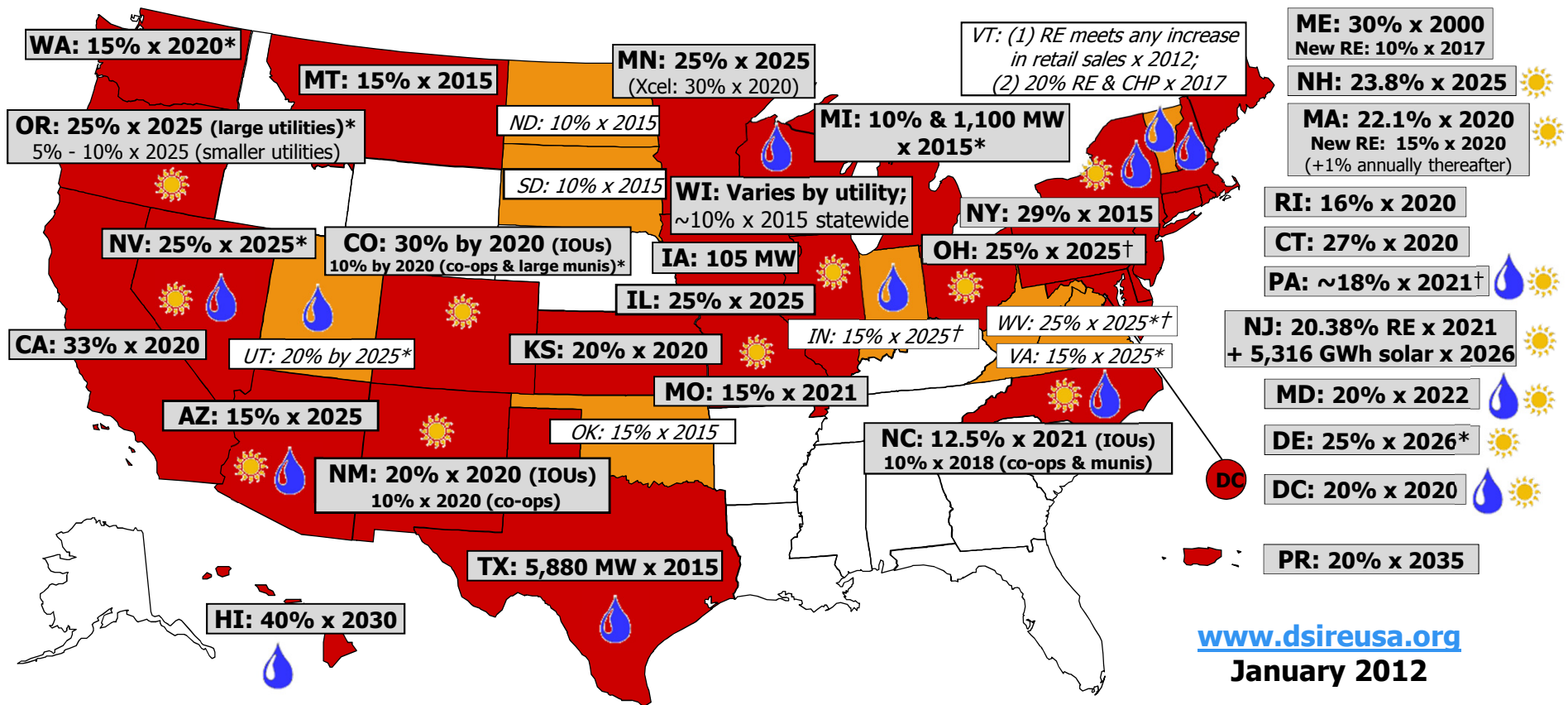
Existing infrastructure lifetimes



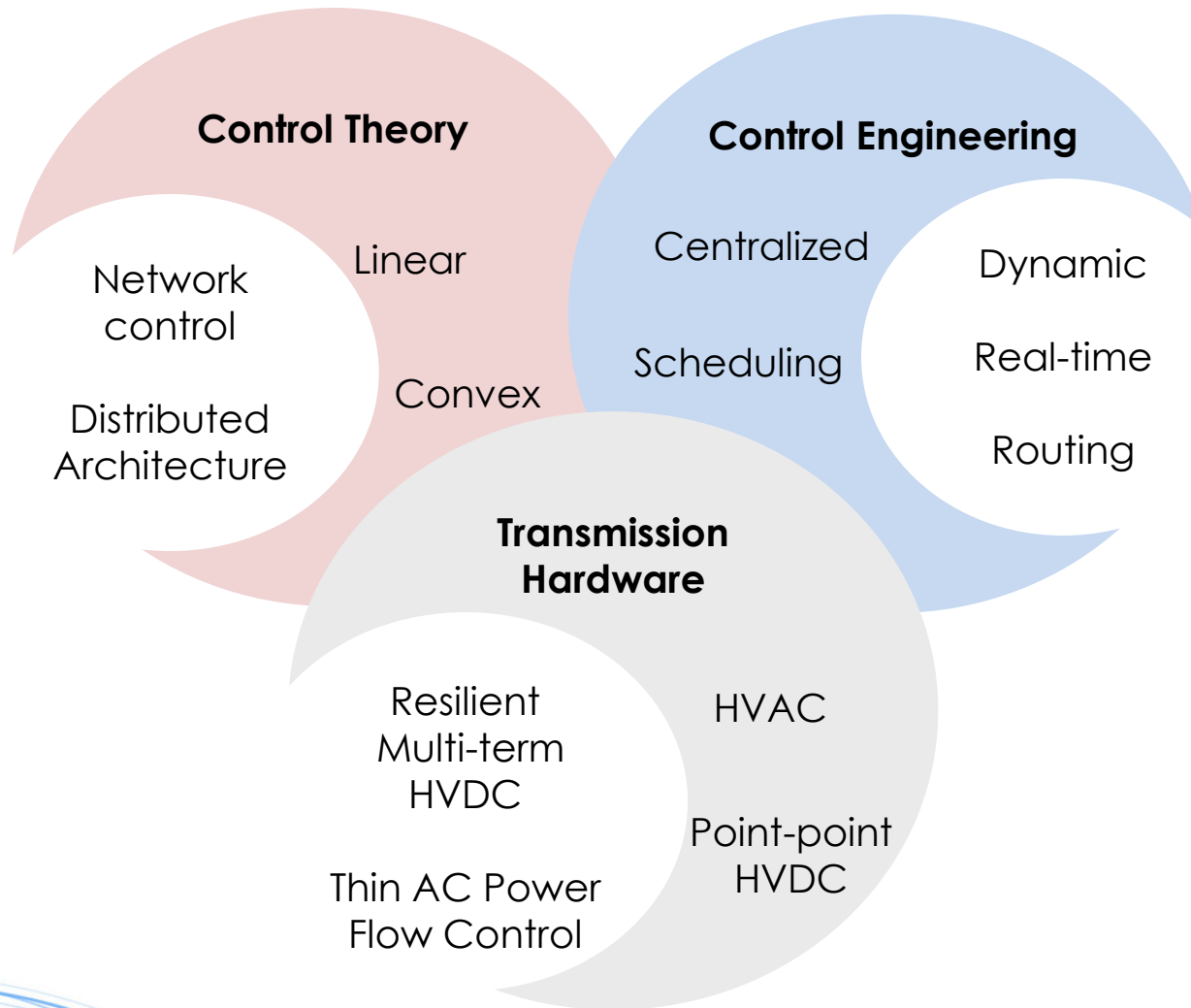
Black & Veatch, "2009/2010 Fourth annual strategic directions In the electric utility industry survey."

Substantial growth of non-dispatchable generation

State Renewable Portfolio Standards



Workshops find the white space



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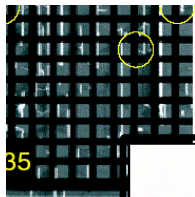
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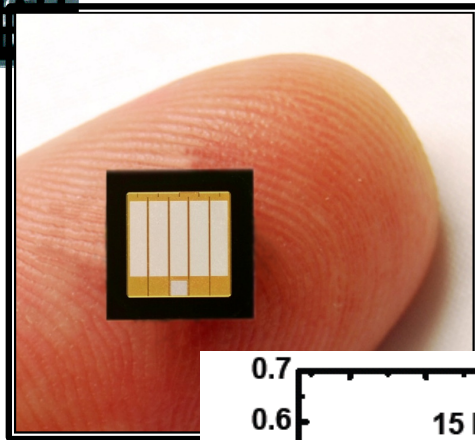
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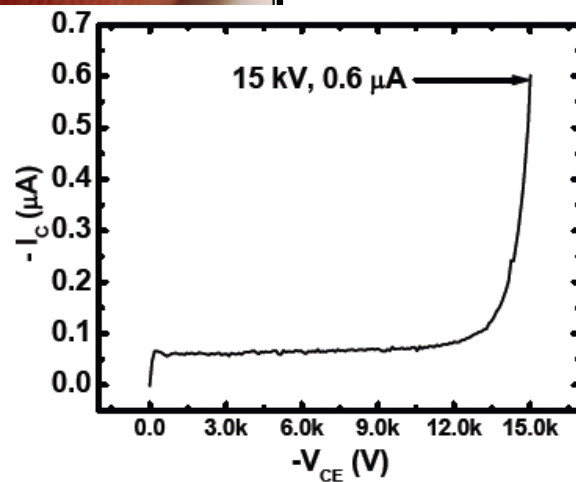
HV Grid-Scale Transistors and Solid-State Transformers



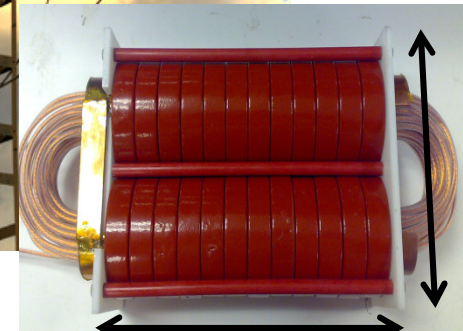
NRL



Cree



NCSU
ABB



17 cm

36 cm

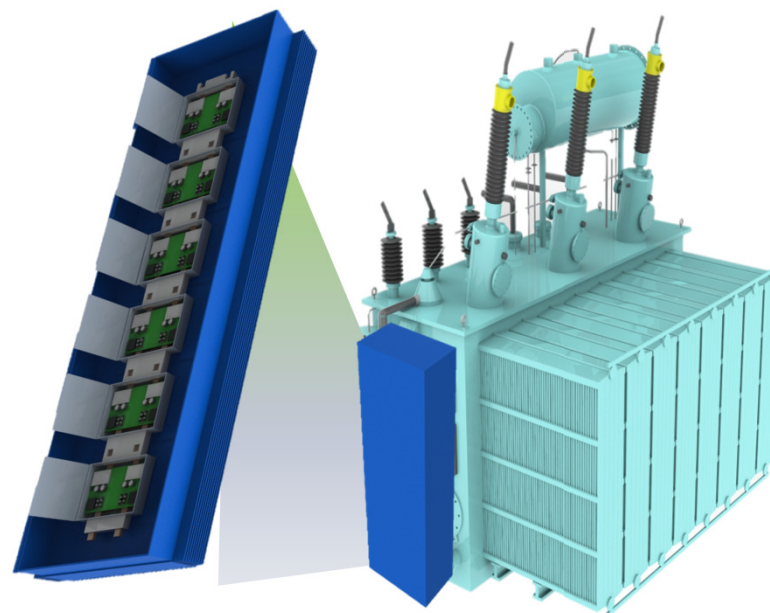
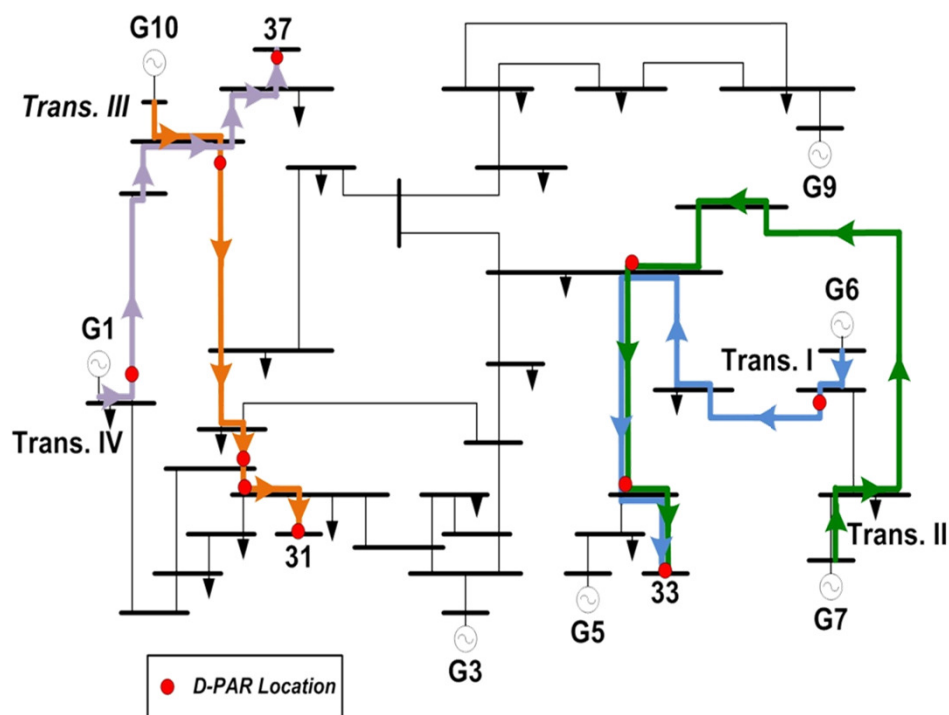
30kVA, 50kHz link transformer

CREE POWEREX

NC STATE UNIVERSITY ABB

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Power Routers



augment existing transformers



- 10X lower than BAU (\$30/kW)
- 13 kV/1MW units in tie-line field demo
- 13 kV 5 bus test bed to show routing



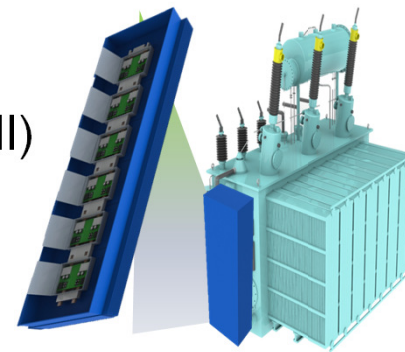
ARPAE PROGRAMS DEFINE PROBLEMS... ...NOT SOLUTIONS

NYPA UPFC

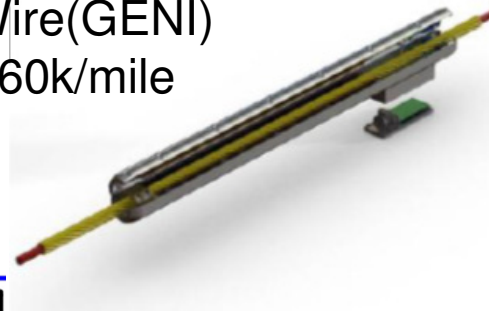


\$140-300/kVA

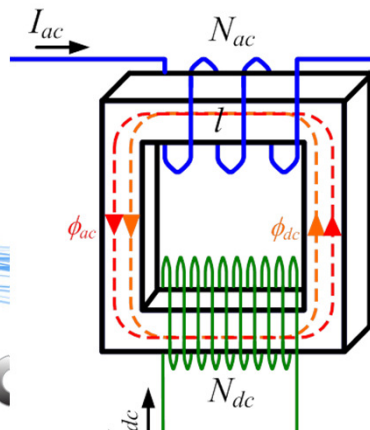
Varentec (GENI)
\$20-30/kVA



SmartWire(GENI)
\$36k-60k/mile



A PORTFOLIO OF APPROACHES



ORNL (GENI)
\$4/kVA

Vertically Integrated Teams

Algorithms for Topology Control

Charles River
Associates

Project management, algorithms, impact assessments, integration,
commercialization

Boston University

Optimization algorithms, market design issues

Tufts University/
Northeastern University

Express algorithms for voltage and transient stability analysis

Polaris Systems Opt./
Paragon Decision
Technology

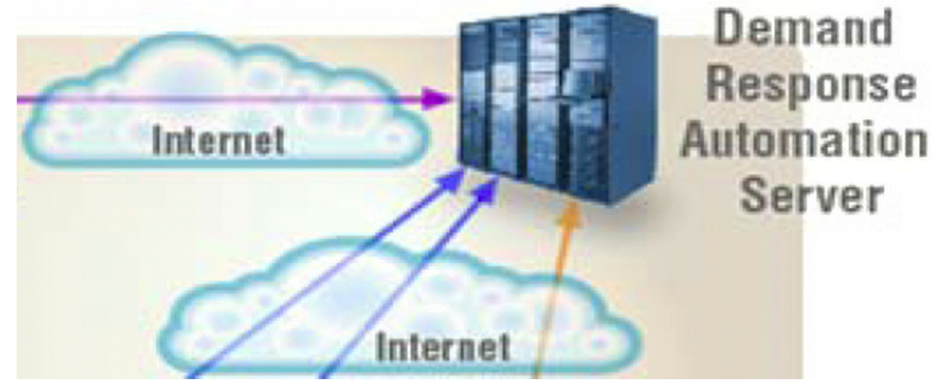
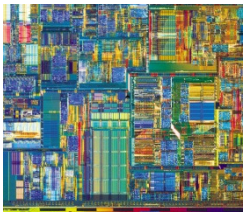
Software implementation

PJM Interconnection

Operation and implementation consulting and review

Estimates indicate that implementation of TC in the entire US electrical grid would save of \$1-2 billion in generation costs and would reduce the needs for transmission investments

STIMULATING INNOVATION FROM ADJACENT FIELDS



OpenADR, low-cost, internet-protocol based telemetry solutions, and intelligent forecasting and optimization techniques to provide “personalized” dynamic price signals to millions of customers in timeframes suitable for providing ancillary services to the grid

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